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REPORTS ON AGRICULTURAL PLAN FULFILLMENT; GOOD CROP EXPECTED IN 1950

SLOVAKIA GETS OVER HALF OF TRACTOR PRODUCTION -- Prague Rude Pravo, 15 Jul 50

The plan for the first half of 1950 for bread grains has been fulfilled by 100.9 percent, for fodder grains by 103.6 percent, sugar beets 97.4 percent, potatoes 99.3 percent, oil plants 93.2 percent, hops 97.5 percent, and vegetables 110.5 percent.

The plan for the entire year for the number of cows has been fulfilled by 97.3 percent, of sows by 91 percent, and of sheep by 119 percent.

The plan for the first half of 1950 for the production of milk was fulfilled by 106.2 percent. The planned production of milk per cow per day was 96.4 percent of the plan.

Egg production reached 104.4 percent of the plan for the first half of 1950.

Slovakia has received 53.1 percent of all tractors and 67.5 percent of all binders produced in the first half of 1950. In addition, 300 tractors, 220 binders, and 208 threshing machines were transferred from the Czech Provinces to Slovakia.

CROP SLIGHTLY BELOW EXPECTATIONS -- Prague Hospodar, 6 Jul 50

The harvest has begun in real harvest weather. Because of the drought in Moravia, particularly southern Moravia, the crops, especially barley, will not be as good as had been expected at the beginning of June, when the State Statistical Office estimated the condition of the grains as decidedly above average. But, on the whole, the crop will be good in 1950. Along the Elbe, for instance, the crop will be better than in 1949, although spring grains remained low and there will not be much straw. On the other hand, there will be more grain.

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AMOUNT OF POULTRY TO BE INCREASED -- Prague Hospodar, 20 Jul 50

In 1949, the number of hens in Czechoslovakia was increased by 1,200,000. By the end of the Five-Year Plan there will be 18,500,000 hens in the country, as compared to 10 million at the beginning of 1949. In addition, egg production is to be increased to 2 billion per year. Average yearly production per hen is to rise from 92 to 106.5 eggs.

DETERMINE PRICES OF GRAIN PRODUCTS -- Prague Hospodar, 20 Jul 50

The selling price for 100 kilograms of wheat for milling is to be 547 crowns, and for wheat for other purposes 453 crowns. Rye for milling is to cost 277.80 crowns per 100 kilograms, and for other purposes 406 crowns.

The price of corn for consumers has been set at 354 to 374 crowns per 100 kilograms, depending on type and quality.

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